

Northrop to Play Eastside Beer Nine

The Northrop R. C. baseball team will seek vengeance this coming Sunday, March 20, when they tangle with the strong baseball nine representing Eastside beer.

The Norcrafters were beaten by this popular club 7 to 5 three months ago and are anxiously awaiting the chance to get even.

Game time 2:00 p.m. at the Torrance City Ball park.

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SPECIAL MEETINGS

SUNDAY, MARCH 19 to FRIDAY, MARCH 24

Conducted by

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Voters' Registration In State Hits Lowest Mark In 14 Years

Hitting the lowest point in 14 years, California's current voters' registration totals 2,765,817 or 1,104,959 less than the last general election in 1942, it was announced today by Frank M. Jordan, Secretary of State.

At the same time Jordan disclosed the communist party is barred from participating in the coming consolidated primary election by reason it failed to garner 2,766 registrations or one-tenth of 1 percent of the total registration. The communist party registered only 651 persons.

Of the total registration the Democratic party accounted for 1,599,495 and the Republicans 1,067,949, a Democratic majority of 531,546.

This showed the Democrats lost 700,711 registrations as compared to 1942 and the Republicans 302,120.

The Democrats obtained 57.83 percent of the total registration; Republicans, 38.61 percent; prohibition, 19 percent; communist, .02 percent; miscellaneous, 3.02 percent; declined to state, 3.02 percent.

The Prohibition registration totaled 5,136; miscellaneous, 9,158; declined to state, 83,428.

The largest registration—1,160,774—came from Los Angeles county with 681,797 Democrats and 421,843 Republicans. Alpine county with 196 registration, 60 Democrats and 133 Republicans, was the smallest in the state.

The total registration showed 48 counties held Democratic majorities and 10 Republican.

Registration in Los Angeles county: Democratic, 681,797; Republican, 421,843; prohibition, 3,010; communist, 280; miscellaneous, 3,770; declined to state, 50,074; total, 1,160,774.

City Finance Survey Report Submitted to Torrance Council

(Continued from Page 1.A.)

Spenses that general fund balances will not be increased and that you will need be called on for few if any special appropriations during the budget year.

This committee would be appreciative of the opportunity of going over the preliminary budget estimates prior to its presentation to you. For the protection of city finances we recommend the municipal tax rate be set only after the new assessed valuations are available. This recommendation is made because any change in assessed values which must be levied to meet the budget.

The committee has expressed its appreciation to the California Taxpayers' Association for the fine job they have done in the preparation of this survey. The committee wishes to thank the city council and city officials for the interest they have expressed and the help they have extended in our tax work.

A summary of the survey finds:

1. The city adopts an annual budget. Frequent changes in appropriations, however, are made after adoption of the budget, and is not as close an estimate of expenditures as should be made. The accounting system is adequate and accounts audited at quarterly intervals by a firm of outside auditors.
2. Large balances now exist in the various city funds. On June 30, 1943, \$109,419 was carried in the governmental funds of the city, and \$77,106 in the water district fund. Since 1939 governmental fund balances have increased \$36,061, representing the excess of revenues over expenditures. Fund balances of the city and water district are adequate to finance the "dry" period.
3. Expenditures of the city have increased 24.6 percent in five years. This has been due chiefly to increased salary and wage costs and has occurred even though bond interest and redemption expense of the city during the same period was halved, and advertising and promotion expense reduced to one-seventh of its 1939-43 size.
4. Fire and police department expenditures have accounted for most of the increase. These departments had a combined expenditure of \$52,588 in 1938-39, which was raised to \$77,677 in 1942-43, an increase of \$25,089 in five years.
5. Expenditures of the city engineer's office have increased by 43.8 percent in five years, from \$5,619 to \$8,080.
6. Civilian defense expenditures amounted to \$7,458 in 1943. Such expenditures are of a temporary and emergency nature.
7. Non-tax revenues increased \$13,738, from \$48,032 in 1939 to \$61,770 in 1943, or 24.8 percent.
8. The city has a small indebtedness. Only \$40,000 was outstanding on June 30, 1943, and \$5,000 in bonds are to be redeemed this year. In eight years the city will be entirely debt free unless new bond issues are made.
9. The City Municipal Water District has consistently shown a net profit. It had a bonded indebtedness of \$282,000 at the end of the fiscal year 1943. Interest and redemption payments are made from a tax of 35 cents levied on Land Taxation District No. 1 of the city and from water revenues.
10. The municipal bus line was acquired by the city through expenditures from the general fund incurred in 1940 and 1943. Expenditures reached a peak of \$34,984 in 1941. Since 1941, general expenditures for the purpose of the line increased and capital outlay decreased.
11. Analysis of the data in the report indicates that with financial planning, the rate for the city of Torrance can be materially reduced in the future.

Plans for Post-war Period Given Study

Much thought is being given in Torrance to post-war planning not only by the Chamber of Commerce committee named for that purpose, but also by city officials. Eventually, it is believed, some coordinated program will be designed and whipped into workable form by the time the roar of guns on the battlefronts is silenced and peace is restored.

While the city engineer, Glenn Jan, has been devoting attention to outlining a series of proposed street improvements to be given attention when the war is over, William H. Stanger has been utilizing much spare time—which is not very much in these days of manpower shortage—in a program of improvements for the Torrance Municipal Water department.

Of course whatever Stanger or Jan may do will be all tentative until the city council considers the projects they have in mind, with concurrence of the city planning commission.

Only Tentative

It is yet too early to advance any correct estimate of what the post-war program will cost, yet there are projects in mind which could run very close to or over \$1,000,000—on paper. Just how to finance them is another problem that may prove to be the most difficult of any to the planners.

Pay-as-You-Go Plan

In this respect, however, Superintendent Stanger is mapping plans for the water system betterments on the basis of what the department can pay for. As far as he is concerned, it will be a pay-as-you-go proposition. To start off with he has all the charts ready for an outlay of \$50,000. It would be easy to tack on more, but he believes this sum will make a good starter, just as soon as there is need for post-war activities to take up the slack when war industries have slowed down in preparation for the transition into making products for civilians.

Street Projects

Of the street projects proposed the city engineer enumerated

Redondo Man Injured In Auto Accident

Everett L. Van Morter, 2312 Huntington Lane, Redondo Beach, was struck by an automobile Sunday evening at the intersection of Narbonne ave. and Pacific Coast highway as he crossed the highway. He received a cut over the right eye and was taken to the Torrance Memorial Hospital for treatment.

The car was driven by John E. Waits, 1631 W. 215th st., Torrance, according to the Vermont ave. sub-station of the sheriff's office.

ject with the city of Los Angeles on Western ave. between Redondo Beach Blvd. and the Pacific Coast highway to make it a six-lane highway, 74 feet in width, at an estimated cost of several hundred thousand dollars. Rights of way must first be secured through condemnation processes or otherwise.

Recreation parks for children are foremost under consideration by the planners in Torrance and also to serve the community at WALTERIA. Construction of a new fire station is another proposal which is likely to receive early attention when the change comes from war to peace. Meanwhile the city council has earmarked a periodical allotment from the general city fund for this purpose.

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- Brown Stamps Y and Z expire March 20.
- Red Stamps AB, BB and CC are valid through May 20. D, E, G and FS become valid March 15 and expire May 20.
- HONEY WHITE Tuna No. 12 32¢
- CALIF. GRATED Tuna No. 12 22¢
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- Fig Bars Venus 1 1/2-Lb. Pkg. 29¢
- Green Beans Lord Mott No. 2 French Style Can 14¢
- Log Cabin Syrup Pint 20¢
- Raisins Thompson Seedless 5-Lb. Market Day Special 4 Pkg. 37¢
- Sunswell Prunes Extra 1-Lb. Large Pkg. 14¢
- Zee Tissue 4 Rolls 16¢
- Cigarettes Raleighs 10 Pkgs. \$33
- Libby Green, Sweet-spiced No. 2 Tomato Slices Jar 21¢
- Super Suds Pkg. 23¢
- Clorox Bleach Bottle 13¢
- Enriched Flour 10-lb. 57c Sack 25¢
- Enriched Flour Gold Medal 5-lb. 10-lb. 57c Sack 30¢
- Scotch Cleanser 14-oz. Pkg. 9¢
- Toilet Soap White King Mission Bell 3 Cakes 14¢
- Grape-Nuts 2 Pkgs. 25¢
- Post Bran Flakes 2 Pkgs. 17¢
- Dog Food Friskies 4 1/2-Lb. Pkg. 43¢

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- Sliced Bacon Grade A—Fancy Eastern 39¢
- Hamburger Freshly Ground 25¢ lb
- Pork Sausage 29¢ lb
- Piece Bacon 29¢ lb
- Bacon Squares 21¢ lb
- Pork Chops 37¢ lb
- Pork Roast (Pleatics) Whole or Shank Half 29¢
- Fillet of Eastern Cod or Perch 39¢ lb

- GREEN & BLUE STAMP VALUES
- Green Stamps K, L and M expire March 20. Blue Stamps AB, BB, CC, DD and EE are valid through May 20.
- Applesauce A&P Fancy 5.2 13¢
- Tomatoes Arm-In-Arm No. 2/5 Can 12¢
- A & P Corn Whole Kernel No. 2 Golden Bantam Can 13¢
- Ann Page Beans Boston 17 1/2-oz. Style Jar 9¢
- Del Monte Peas Early Garden No. 2 Can 13¢
- Glenwood Peas No. 2 No. 21 21¢
- Sliced Peaches Hunt No. 1 Supreme Can 13¢
- Fruit Cocktail Sultana No. 1 Can 15¢
- Val Vita Catsup 14-oz. Bottle 12¢
- Larsen Veg-All 14 1/2-oz. Can 14¢

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